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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Vishnu K. Agarwal
Serial No. : 09/652,841
Filed : August 31, 2000
Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE
Attorney Docket No. : 501082.03 (98-0616.02)
Group Art Unit : 2815
Examiner : Jose R. Diaz

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Submission previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on January 24, 2003.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on _____.
- b. ☐ Submission enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

3. Accompanying Papers

☒ Postcard
☒ Check
☒ Fee Transmittal Sheet
☐ Petition

4. Deposit Account

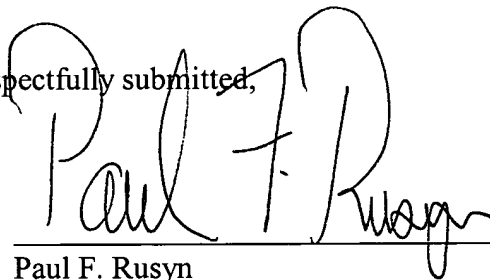
☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required in the above-identified patent application to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

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Respectfully submitted,

By: _____

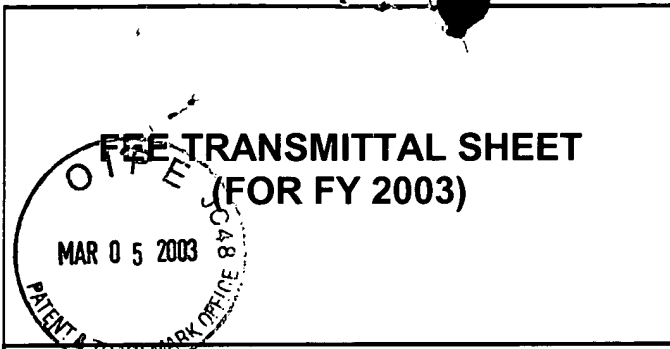


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FEE TRANSMITTAL SHEET (FOR FY 2003)

Complete if Known	
Application No.	09/652,841
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First Named Inventor	Vishnu K. Agarwal
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check One)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and 1.136(a)(3) and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No.: 50-1266; Deposit Account Name: DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP

2. ☒ Check Enclosed

FEE CALCULATION (Continued)

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE				
Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
101	750	201	375	<input type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
106	330	206	165	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
108	750	208	375	<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee
114	160	214	80	<input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Filing Fee
Subtotal (1)			\$0	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES				
Current Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee	Fee Paid
Total	- 20	=	x \$	= \$
Ind.	- 3	=	x \$	= \$
Multiple Dependent Claims			x \$	= \$
Subtotal (2)			\$0	

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent Claim
109	84	209	42	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

3. ADDITIONAL FEES				
Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - Late filing fee for oath
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification
147	2,520	147	2,520	For Filing a Request for Reexamination
195	300	196	300	Publication (early or Republication)
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month
116	410	216	205	Extension for reply within 2 nd month
117	930	217	465	Extension for reply within 3 rd month
118	1,450	218	725	Extension for reply within 4 th month
128	1,970	280	985	Extension for reply within 5 th month
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
121	280	270	140	Request for oral hearing
148	110	248	55	Terminal Disclaimer Fee
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable
141	1,300	241	650	Petition to revive - unintentional
142	1,300	242	650	Utility/Reissue issue fee (+ advance copies)
143	470	243	235	Design issue fee (+ advance copies)
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications
126	180	126	180	Submission of IDS
581	40	81	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
179	750	279	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
Other fee (specify)				
Subtotal (3)			\$750	
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